

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following is a listing of claims in the application with claims 22 and 23 shown as currently amended, claims 1-21 shown as previously canceled and with claims 24-26 shown as withdrawn.

Listing of Claims:

1-21. (Previously Canceled).

22. (Currently Amended) A diagnostic agent for inflammatory diseases, neoplastic diseases, dermatosis or blood diseases of PMN (polymorphonuclear leukocytes), macrophages and these lineages, which comprises a monoclonal an antibody specific to a calcium-binding protein comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 19 or encoded by a nucleic acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1.

23.(Currently Amended) A calcium-binding protein assay reagent comprising ~~an~~ a monoclonal antibody specific to a calcium-binding protein comprising an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 19 or encoded by a nucleic acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1.

24. (Withdrawn) An assay method for calcium-binding protein, characterized by using a reagent according to Claim 23.

25. (Withdrawn) An isolated and purified DNA encoding a calcium- binding protein that possesses calcium binding activity comprising an amino acid sequence which is identical to the amino acid sequence listed in SEQ ID NO: 19.

26. (Withdrawn) An isolated and purified DNA encoding a calcium- binding protein that possesses calcium binding activity comprising an amino acid sequence which is identical to the amino acid sequence listed in SEQ ID NO: 20.